

Oaks Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

# Oaks Notes

## Make a Splash with VBS July 14-18, 2007

### Special points of interest:

- Coming to Oaks
- Where you at?
- VBS
- Spring and summer activities
- Lectionary Scriptures for July
- Bible Study
- 2nd Annual Smith School Supply Project
- New staff positions
- Susan O'Donnell to Preach

**4 pm Saturday for visitation and supper**  
**5:30 pm-9 pm Sunday-Wednesday**

Join us Saturday for visitation and service and then for supper at the church and VBS

Join us Sunday for a fellowship dinner and then VBS

Join us Monday—Wednesday for a snack supper and then VBS

Adults will have a service project throughout the week so be prepared to cut and tie to make someone a little more comforted and warm.

Youth and children will make a splash on Sunday afternoon on the front lawn. So bring your swimsuit and dry cloths for VBS

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## 2nd Annual Smith Project

It's time for the second annual Smith Project. This project allows us to support two elementary schools in our neighborhood one being Smith Academy at Little York and Antoine two being Katherine Smith on Mangum. Each of these schools are low income and in extreme need of our help. Our Help is

fairly simple, buy some school supplies or write a check and give it to Kim Johnson. Last year we were able to provide 75 sets for Smith Academy and about 30 sets for Katherine Smith. Our Goal is to do as well or better this year in allowing kids to be able to start the school year with the supplies

they need to get a great start on their year of learning and growing. So consider it a CHALLENGE and join the Oaks Smith Team as we as a church support the kids in our neighborhood.

Thank you in advance the kids of Smith and Kim



Have you stopped lately to consider

**“Where you At?”**

## Where You At?

Where are you at in your life, your spirituality, with your family, friends, GOD? Have you stopped any time recently and evaluated where you are and where you are going? Have you stopped and considered where GOD is calling you to be? It is not an easy question nor is it an easy thing to stop and do. We go so fast in this life that some-

times we forget to stop and look at where we are and what we are doing.

How do we take the time to “stop and smell the roses” per say and figure out Where You At?

God calls us to thought and to rest God calls us to prayer that leads us to the answer to the question of where we are

at and where God is calling us to be. Each of us are being called to realize where we are at so that we can then figure out where we are going. So take some time and prayer to see where you at and where God might be calling you to be and to do.

**WHERE YOU AT?**

## Calendar

July 14th –18th Make a SPLASH with Vacation Bible School Visitation to begin VBS

**VBS @ 4pm**

July 15th lectionary scriptures Amos 7:7-17, Psalm 82, Colossians 1:1-14, Luke 10:25-37

Youth Make A SPLASH @ 3pm

VBS @ 5:30 pm

July 16th VBS @ 5:30 pm

July 17th VBS @ 5:30 pm

July 18th VBS @ 5:30pm

July 19th Praise Ringer trip to Raleigh Ringers Concert @ Chapelwood UMC

July 21st– 25th Disciples of Christ General Assembly begins in Fort Worth, Texas

July 22nd lectionary Scriptures Amos 8:1-12, Psalm 52, Colossians 1:15-28, Luke 10:38-42

August 1-19th Smith Project Donations accepted and put together.

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*“ Take a look at the calendar and add it to yours and remember to be involved”*

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## Youth News

6 youth and 2 adults will leave for General Assembly on Saturday July 21 and return on Thursday July 26th The Youth will gather with other youth from all over the USA at TCU to participate in Service projects as well as parts of the General Assem-

bly. Please be praying for them as they learn more about service and social justice and our denomination and as they grow to realize how big we are and what amazing work that we do even though we are smaller than most.

After General Assem-

bly we will begin working on our late summer and early fall schedule which is already filling up.

Aug, 25-26 Fall Rally

Sept. 29 CYF Day @ TCU

October 19 Big Concert @ Toyota Center



**Our 4 Senior Girls  
Friday at Camp.**

## Women's Bible Study

Calling all women to join a Women's Bible Study on the book of Daniel.

The women's Bible Study is a great way to grow spiritually and to fellowship with the women of the church

and friends.

The women will begin meeting every Thursday night Beginning August 16th @ 6:30-8:30

The Bible Study will take place in Kirchner Hall Kitchen.

Come and experience the book of Daniel and all it has to share with us in this world today.

Information : Barb Scantlin

Please RSVP for a book by Aug. 9



## Raleigh Ringers

On July 19th the Oaks Praise Ringers and any others who wish to join us will be going to see the **Raleigh Ringers** at Chapelwood United Methodist Church.

The Raleigh Ringers are a nationally recognized Bell ringing group from Raleigh, South Carolina. We will be meeting at the church at **5:30pm** and leave to travel together to Chapelwood.

This should be an exciting trip and a great concert. If you have never seen a full bell choir in concert or even if you have it is a great thing to watch and to experience.

If you would like more information or would like to go with the Praise ringers talk to Barb Scantlin.

The seats are first come first served so we need to get there early to get good seats. The concert begins at **7pm**.

Come join us for a great concert.

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*"Come share the family and love of Oaks Christian Church in our activities"*

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## Baseball Trip

On June 12th 40-50 Oaks folks and friends met at the church and loaded a charter bus to travel to Minute Maid Park for a night of Baseball, hot dogs and fellowship. This is our 4th year to attend the Astros baseball game as a church and it has become a great tradition. We look forward to it each

year even though in the past we have always lost the game. The streak was broken this year when in the 11th inning the Astros pulled it out for us and won the game in over time. We then loaded the bus again to travel home to the church for each of our travels home safely. Base-

ball, hot dogs and fellowship a night of sharing Christian love and fellowship and a win what more could we ask for. Well maybe more of us to be able to go. See you next year.



Oaks folks family and friends celebrate with a night of baseball, hot dogs and fellowship.



## General Assembly @ Fort Worth

The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) will gather in Fort Worth to celebrate, worship, praise and serve the Lord. Oaks will have the following people in attendance Bob Simons, Dorene Drake, Sally Johnson (serving as voting delegates) and Sara Simons as well as Verna Lamb, Kim Johnson with the youth Michael Spencer, Robert Dyes, Jessica Luna, Sara Luna, Emily Simons, Emily Whitley. We hope to bring back much enthusiasm and information.

## First Scrapbooking Party

**On Friday night August 3rd @ 6:30pm**

Oaks will have its first Scrapbooking Party

Gather together to scrapbook in all the ways you can think of.

Bring your favorite finger food to share.

Bring any Scrapbooking supplies you have to use especially cutters and scissors.

See Verna Lamb for more Information

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*“ KSBJ Morning DJ is set to Preach at Oaks on July 22 and July 29 come and join us.”*

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## Susan O'Donnell set to Preach 2 Sundays

What a treat we will share as a church on July 22 and July 29th. Susan O'Donnell our friend and KSBJ morning DJ will fill our Pulpit for two Sundays in a row.

Susan is a long time friend of Oaks and is always a welcome visitor and speaker. So mark your calendars and tell your friends to come experience Susan's sharing of her spirituality and wit.

Make these Sundays an experience and invite your friends, neighbors and strangers to Oaks Christian to hear God's word shared through Susan O'Donnell.

### What is KSBJ?

KSBJ is a Christ-centered, non-profit, listener-supported radio ministry and they like it that way. By being Christ-centered, they take their lead from God's son Jesus, as revealed in the Holy Scriptures. As a listener-supported Christian station, we're able to concentrate on creating the kind of radio that partners with listeners in touching hearts and lives. KSBJ has begun in 1982 and has always used music and ministry to accomplish God's purposes.



KSBJ DJ Susan O'Donnell

## Transitional Minister

Oaks Christian Church Pulpit Committee has made a call to a Transitional Minister to serve our Congregation in our time of need. Look forward in the next couple of weeks for more information on this next step toward our search for a Pastor.



## New Church Secretary

After a long period of volunteers filling in at the office, a new employee has been hired as our Church Secretary. On Monday, July 16, Sonja Davis will begin her very important role supporting administration and communication for our congregation.

## Camp News

We at Oaks sent 8 kids to summer camp this summer. 7 youth and 1 adult attended CYF Conference the first week in June. Where the topic was Under Pressure and being a Beloved child of God Emily Simons, Emily DuBose, Emily Whitley, Amy Dyes, Joshua Staley (who by the way have all been at camp together since the third grade) Michael Spencer and Jessica Luna attended. Robert Dyes attended eighter's camp which is a specialized camp for our youth who have completed 8th .

Oaks also sent Michael Spencer and Jessica Luna to CYLS (Christian Youth Leadership Seminar) @ Lake Brownwood Christian Retreat. Michael went as our YMC Rep and Jessica went as a Wired Leader for our church. Their topic was " So You Think you can Lead... BRING IT"

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*“ Oaks  
continued their  
yearly tradition  
of supporting  
our kids at*

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**A group of our CPA girls who have been at camp together forever.**

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### Oaks Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

**Bound Together in Love**

*Oaks Christian Church is a family church that loves to share God's word, God's Love, and God's fellowship with the world. We are a church in the near inner loop that strives to be a helpful part of the community. We are about Deep Christian spirituality, a true community and a passion for Justice. We celebrate communion every Sunday service and all who believe are welcome to receive.*

